## CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

| Investigator:               |          | Team:                         |                          | CCRB Case #:                   |      | Force     |       | Discourt.    | U.S.       |
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| Daniel Cooper               |          | Squad #7                      |                          | 201707962                      | Ø    | Abuse     |       | O.L.         | ☐ Injury   |
| Incident Date(s)            |          | Location                      | of Incident:             | •                              | F    | Precinct: | 18    | Mo. SOL      | EO SOL     |
| Tuesday, 09/26/2017 9:00 AM |          | § 87(2)(b)<br>103rd Pre       | ecinct station           | and the                        |      | 103       | 3/    | /26/2019     | 3/26/2019  |
| Date/Time CV Reported       |          | CV Repo                       | rted At:                 | How CV Reported                | :    | Date/Time | Rece  | eived at CCI | RB         |
| Wed, 09/27/2017 3:24 PM     |          | CCRB                          |                          | Phone                          |      | Wed, 09/2 | 7/201 | 7 3:24 PM    |            |
| Complainant/Victim          | Type     |                               | Home Add                 | ress                           |      |           |       |              |            |
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| Witness(es)                 |          |                               | Home Add                 | ress                           |      |           |       |              |            |
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| Subject Officer(s)          | Shield   |                               | TaxID                    | Command                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 1. Officers                 |          |                               |                          | Unknown                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 2. SGT Nathan Mole          | 04654    |                               | 911121                   | 103 PCT                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 3. LT William Negus         | 00000    |                               | 928856                   | 102 DET                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 4. DT3 Brian Simonsen       | 03877    |                               | 926122                   | 102 DET                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| Witness Officer(s)          | Shield N | lo I                          | Гах No                   | Cmd Name                       |      |           |       |              |            |
| 1. DT3 Anthony Guerriero    | 02842    | ç                             | 934976                   | 102 DET                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 2. DTS Joseph Cortright     | 5281     | Ģ                             | 944466                   | 102 PCT                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| 3. SGT Timothy Schmidt      | 01359    | ç                             | 923136                   | 103 PCT                        |      |           |       |              |            |
| Officer(s)                  | Allegati | on                            |                          |                                |      | Inve      | stiga | ator Recon   | nmendation |
| A. Officers                 | Abuse: A | At § 87(2)(b)<br>1 § 87(2)(b) |                          | , in Queens, s property.       | offi | cers      |       |              |            |
| B.SGT Nathan Mole           | Abuse: A |                               |                          | rationhouse, Sergeant s compla |      | han       |       |              |            |
| C.LT William Negus          | Abuse: I |                               | William Neg<br>n Queens. | gus entered § 87(2)(b)         |      |           |       |              |            |
| D.DT3 Brian Simonsen        | Abuse: I |                               | rian Simons<br>n Queens. | sen entered § 87(2)(b)         |      |           |       |              |            |

## **Case Summary**

filed this complaint via telephone with the CCRB. On September 27, 2017, § 87(2)(b) On September 26, 2017, at approximately 9:00 a.m., §87(2)(6) returned to her home , in Queens, and noticed there was damage to her located at § 87(2)(b) property allegedly caused by officers (Allegation A: Abuse of Authority: \$87(2)(9) ) § 87(2)(b) was not present when the damage occurred and did not know the identity of the officer(s) who caused the damage. Later that evening, at approximately 7:00 p.m., went to the 103<sup>rd</sup> Precinct stationhouse and asked Sgt. Nathan Mole, who was at the desk, to file a complaint. Sgt. Mole allegedly refused to take her complaint (Allegation B: Abuse of Authority: § 87(2)(9) While § 87(2)(b) was at the stationhouse, her son, called her at told her that Lt. William Negus and known to the investigation as § 87(2)(b) Det. Brian Simonsen from the 102<sup>nd</sup> Precinct Detective Squad entered \$87(2)(b) (Allegation C and D: Abuse of Authority: § 87(2)(9) was not arrested or issued a summons related to this incident. §87(2)(b) s son, captured part of the interaction on his cellular phone (Board Review 31) and 32), Snag-it versions of the video are embedded below \$87(2)(9) Allegation A: Abuse of Authority: At § 87(2)(b) I. in Queens, officers damaged § 87(2)(b) s property. On September 26, 2017, § 87(2)(b) returned home at around 9:00 a.m., and had problems unlocking her door, which indicated to her that someone had damaged her door. \$37(2)(b) spoke to her neighbor, § 87(2)(b) who told § 87(2)(b) that she saw uniformed and plainclothes officers knocking on § 87(2)(b) s apartment door while § 87(2)(b) not home. §87(2)(b) also stated that officers accessed the fire escape joining §87(2)(b) and s apartments. When § 87(2)(b) went to the fire escape, she noticed that her back window, which accessed the fire escape, was broken. Inside of her apartment, noticed that there was damage to the interior wall adjacent to her front door. denied that any of the damage existed before she returned home. Approximately an hour later, as § 87(2)(b) and her son, § 87(2)(b) left the apartment, they encountered a Hispanic male and white male in plainclothes in the hallway of the building. spoke to both officers who told them they were looking for her son, \$87(2)(b) an I-card with \$87(2)(b) photograph. While speaking to , and showed § 87(2)(b) s fire escape but denied that an the officers, they acknowledged going onto §87(2)(b) officer broke her window. According to the two officers a new member of their team "only knocked the window." Neither admitted that an officer damaged the window but, one of the officers stated that they had spoken to the building's superintendent, known to the investigation as \$87(2)(b) and requested that he fix the damaged window (Board Review 4). During his conversation with the officers, explained that there was interior damage to the drywall near the front door and the glass window facing their fire escape. One of the officers told \$87(2)(b) that he spoke to \$87(2)(b) and that the window and door were being fixed. Neither officer acknowledged that they damaged Page 2

property and they did not allude to any officer who possibly caused the damage as alleged (Board Review 6).

provided two photographs of the damage which are embedded below. Provided a photograph of the damage to the window (Board Review 7) and also provided a photograph of the damage to the drywall (Board Review 8).





(Board Review 7)

(Board Review 8)

During a phone statement to the CCRB, \$57(2)(0) stated that at approximately 9:00 a.m, she spoke with three male officers in plainclothes who explained they were looking for the neighbor's son and asked if he could have gone through the fire escape. \$57(2)(0) explained that no one was inside of her apartment, but the officers were free to look. One of the officers entered \$57(2)(0) accompanied the officer to her bedroom which had the only window accessible to the fire escape. \$57(2)(0) explained that he officer visually inspected her room. \$57(2)(0) acknowledged that she saw the officers knock on \$57(2)(0) acknowledged that she saw the officers knock on \$57(2)(0) acknowledged that she saw the officer of that she witnessed any officer damage any property (Board Review 30).

The CCRB's Field Team conducted field work and spoke to the \$37(2)(0) the building's superintendent. \$37(2)(0) did not wish to provide a statement to the Field Team but acknowledged that he did not have a work order for the damaged property.

Lt. Negus, Det. Simonsen, Det. Anthony Guerriero and Sgt. Mole were interviewed, and all denied being present at the location when the damage allegedly occurred. The officers denied that they made contact with any of street some some neighbors and consistently denied that they or any officer from their respective commands entered the fire escape or damaged property (Board Review 10 -16).

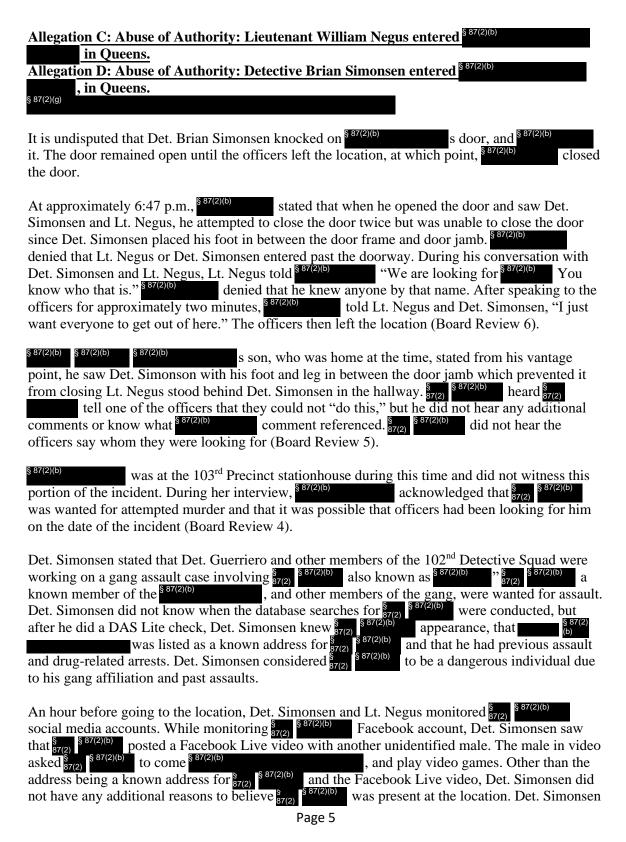
A Suspect Only I-card was found for [5,77] [\$87(2)(b)] from Queens Special Victims Unit investigation, which was issued on [\$87(2)(b)] (Board Review 22). A DAS Snapshot and a warrant audit for [5,77] [\$87(2)(b)] showed that he had no active warrants at the time of the incident (Board Review 23 and 24). The roll calls and movement logs from the  $102^{nd}$  and  $103^{rd}$  Precinct Detective Squads

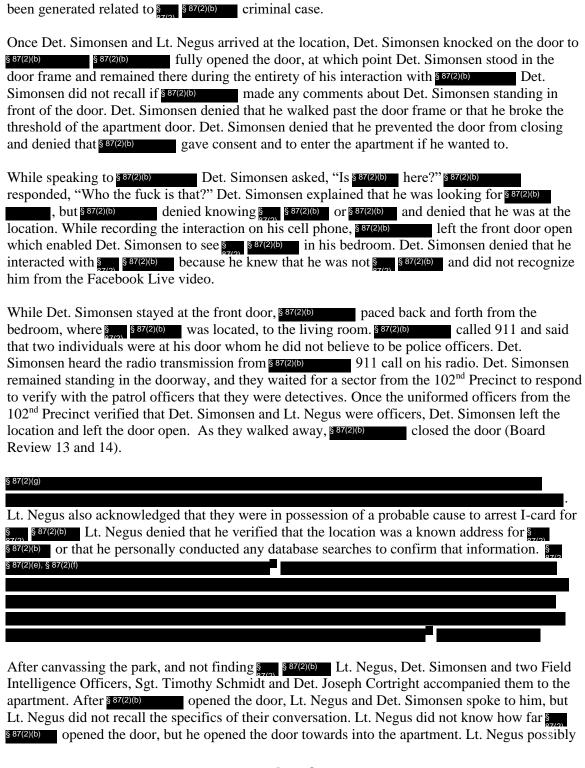
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| (Board Review 18 and 20). An event summary yielded only one event which noted a uniformed unit responded to the building regarding an AIDED female (Board Review 27).                           |
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| Allegation B: Abuse of Authority: At the 103rd Precinct stationhouse, Sergeant Nathan Mole did not process \$87(2)(b) s complaint regarding officers.   |
| stated that she went to the $103^{rd}$ Precinct stationhouse alone to make a complaint against the officers she believed had damaged her property. When \$87(2)(6) approached                   |
| the desk, she encountered Sgt. Mole and asked to file a complaint. Sgt. Mole allegedly told her that she could file a complaint with the CCRB and provided her with the CCRB's phone number.    |
| Sgt. Mole did not provide \$87(2)(b) with a reason why he could not take her complaint (Board Review 4).  |
| Sgt. Mole stated that \$87(2)(0) entered the stationhouse and stated that she wanted to file a complaint because police officers kicked down her door and said they were looking for her son.   |
| Sgt. Mole stated that he provided \$87(2)(b) with a complaint form. After providing the complaint form, a younger female that was with \$87(2)(b) began to cry. \$87(2)(b)                      |
| stated that she was going to leave the stationhouse and said that she did not want the complaint form. Sgt. Mole denied that he refused to take \$87(2)(b) second complaint (Board Review 9 and |
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| § 87(2)(g)  |
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did not note any officers who went to \$87(2)(6) s address on the date of the incident

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and Lt. Negus went to the location with a suspect only/probable cause to arrest I-cards that had

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told \$87(2)(b) that they were looking for someone known as \$87(2)(b). Lt. Negus did not know if Det. Simonsen had made any statements regarding looking for \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b)

Lt. Negus \$87(2)(9) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$37(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$37(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$37(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$37(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him or engage with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not \$87(2)(6) but did not interact with him since he was not since he was



Det. Simonsen- Entry.mp4 Lt. Negus-Entry.mp4

At the commencement of the video marked "Det. Simonsen-Entry", Det. Simonsen is seen standing with his back against the front door with his feet within the door frame. This is where he stands for the entirety of the video. At the 0:54 second mark in the video, Det. Simonsen asks (\$37(2)(6)) also confirms that the other individual that is present is (\$37(2)(6)) At the 1:05 mark, Det. Simonsen is heard asking if there is anyone else in the apartment, but (\$387(2)(6)) refuses to answer him.

At the 0:30 mark in the video marked "Lt. Negus-Entry," Lt. Negus is heard telling \$87(2)(b) that they are looking for someone. When \$87(2)(b) states, "I do not know why you all are here," Lt. Negus states that he is looking for \$87(2)(b) and "\$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b) is heard telling Lt. Negus and Det. Simonsen that he will not answer their questions. Neither video shows the beginning of the incident when Det. Simonsen allegedly prevented \$87(2)(b) from closing the door (Board Review 29: 33 and 34).

DD5s and a copy of the open complaint corroborated that the 102<sup>nd</sup> Precinct Detective Squad was actively investigating \$387(2)(b) for gang assault and attempted murder (Board Review 36 and 37). A DAS Snapshot for \$37(2)(b) corroborated that \$37(2)(b) s address was a known address for him (Board Review 35).

In <u>People v. Min Chul</u> and <u>People v. Schiavo</u>, the court ruled in each case that a defendant's arrest at the doorway of a private residence did not violate <u>Payton v. New York</u>, as the doorway is a public place for the purposes of the Fourth Amendment analysis, and because the defendant had no legitimate expectation of privacy while standing there. <u>People v. Min Chul Shin</u>, 200 A.D.2d 770 (1994); <u>People v. Schiavo</u>, 212 A.D. 2d 816 (1995) (Board Review 38 and 39) Officers were warranted in reaching in and pulling out the defendant from his residence when he voluntarily opened the door and stood in close proximity to the door, since by his actions, he knowingly and voluntarily presented himself for public view. <u>People v. Ashcroft</u>, 33 N.Y.3d 429 (Board Review 40).

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| Civilian and Officer Histories   |
| • This is the first CCRB complaint to which \$87(2)(b) has been a party (Board Review 01).               |
| <ul> <li>Sgt. Mole has been a member of service for twenty-six and has been the subject in 21</li> </ul> |
| CCRB complaints and 47 allegations, of which one has been substantiated.                                 |
| • 201112840 involved the substantiated allegation of a discourtesy against Sgt                           |
| Mole. The Board recommended command discipline and the NYPD imposed                                      |
| instructions.  |
| § 87(2)(g)   |
| <ul> <li>Lt. Negus has been a member of service for sixteen years, and this is the first CCRB</li> </ul> |
| complaint to which he has been a subject.  |
| • Det. Simonsen has been a member of service for eighteen years and has been the subject                 |
| in two CCRB complaints and five allegations, none of which have been substantiated                       |
| § 87(2)(g)   |
| Mediation, Civil, and Criminal Histories   |
| This case was unsuitable for mediation.  |
| • As of April 12, 2018, a Notice of Claim inquiry for \$87(2)(b) is pending (Board                       |
| Review 3).   |
| [§ 87(2)(b)] [§§ 86(1)(3)&(4)] [§ 87(2)(c)]  |
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| Squad Leader: | Signature | Print Title & Name | Date |
| Reviewer:     | Signature | Print Title & Name | Date |